CGHS Hospitals in Andhra Pradesh

1597. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the C.G.H.S. hospitals at present working in Andhra Pradesh alongwith the funds allocated therefor, district-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to open/set up more C.G.H.S. hospital during 1989-90 in that State;

(c) if so, the details thereof stating the increase in funds; and

(d) if no, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQE ALAM): (a) No Central Government Health Scheme Hospital is functioning in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Due to financial constraints it is not possible to set up any Hospital in Andhra Pradesh during the Current Plan Period.

Amount of ex-gratia payment in sterilization deaths

1598. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of deaths reported during the last two years as a result of sterilization operations;

(b) the amount of ex-gratia payment being made at present to the legal heirs in such cases;

(c) whether Government have received requests from Maharashtra and other States for increasing the amount of *ex-gratia* payment in such cases; and

(d) if so, the decision taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Deaths reported during the year

1986-87	447
1987-88	397

(b) According to Government of India instructions, Rs 10,000/- as *ex-gratia* payment is being made at present to the legal heirs of the deceased.

(c) Yes, Sir

(d) Under active consideration of Government of India.

Testing of Agni missile

1599. SHRI KAHNU CHARAN LENKA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the testing of the AGNI missile has boosted up the morale of the people of India;

(b) how many countires have appreciated this technological advancement of India;

(c) whether those countries which initially opposed this test have now reconciled to our point of view; and

(d) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) USSR has complimented Indian scientists and engineers in the success achieved through indigenous efforts.

(c) and (d) After the Prime Minister's statement on the successful launch of AGNI, it is hoped that India's missile programme will be seen by other countries in the proper perspective.